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BY ECF

Honorable James Orenstein
United States Magistrate Judge
Eastern District of New York
225 Cadman Plaza East
Brooklyn, New York 11201

Re: *Wayne Jefferson, et. al. v. City of New York, et al.*, 12 CV 830 (CBA)(JO)

Your Honor:

I represent plaintiff in the above-referenced matter. I write with the consent of defense counsel to respectfully request that the status conference that is currently scheduled for August 29, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. be converted to a settlement conference.

Plaintiff has made an initial demand and the defendants have countered with a settlement offer. The parties are still relatively far apart. However, we do feel with the Court's assistance we will be able to narrow the divide and hopefully reach a settlement. I can have my clients available by telephone for the conference.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully submitted,



Afsaan Saleem

cc: Steven Silverberg, Esq.